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SUBJECT: CND: AD HOC COMMITTEE ON ILLICIT TRAFFIC
IN FAR EAST

REF: A. STATE 222472 B. STATE 221192

1. WHILE IN VIENTIANE, AD HOC COMMITTEE WAS MET, AND THEIR ENTIRE SCHEDULE ARRANGED BY RLG. U.S. MISSION DID BRIEF MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE ON OCTOBER 29. FOLLOWING IS A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THEIR VISIT:
OCTOBER 25: VISITS WITH DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE, GENERAL KHAMHOU OF GSO, AND TO THE NATIONAL DETOXIFICATION CENTER IN VIENTIANE.
OCTOBER 26: MET WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MINISTRY OF N PLAN, THE CONTROL MINISTER AND THE AD HOC COMMITTEE. ALSO MET WITH PHENG PHONGSAVAN, THE MINISTER OF INTERIOR AND ALSO PRESIDENT OF INTERMINISTRY COMMISSION ON DRUGS.

2. ON OCTOBER 29, THREE COMMITTEE MEMBERS MET WITH WORKING-
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LEVEL MEMBERS OF THE U.S. NARCOTICS CONTROL GROUP AND WERE

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GIVEN A BRIEFING ON MISSION ADVISORY EFFORTS IN LAOS. MOST COMMITTEE MEMBERS WERE UNAWARE OF U.S. ASSISTANCE TO LAOS FOR NARCOTICS CONTROL.

3. COMMITTEE ASKED QUESTIONS REGARDING MISSION POLICY CONCERNING OUR REWARD SYSTEM FOR SEIZURES OF ILLICIT DRUGS. THEY ALSO ASKED ABOUT EFFORTS TO CONTROL THE MOVEMENT AND USE OF CANNABIS SATIVA.

4. NOW THAT LAOS IS A PARTY TO UN SINGLE CONVENTION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS, RLG ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL QUESTIONED AD HOC COMMITTEE ON PRICE AND PROCEDURES THAT RLG MUST FOLLOW IN ORDER TO SELL OPIUM RLG HAS ALREADY SEIZED FROM ILLICIT MARKET.

5. AD HOC COMMITTEE WAS ALSO ASKED BY MINISTRY OF PLAN OFFICIALS FOR ASSISTANCE IN FIELD OF CROP SUBSTITUTION, (REF B). THE AD HOC COMMITTEE RESPONDED BY ASKING MINISTRY OFFICIALS TO ADDRESS THEIR REQUEST TO CND GENEVA THROUGH LOCAL UN REPRESENTATIVES. TO DATE, NO SUCH LETTER HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY UN REPRESENTATIVES IN VIENTINAE. IF LETTER OF REQUEST BECOMES AVAILABLE, MISSION WILL FORWARD COPIES TO DEPARTMENT. WHITEHOUSE

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